

**RESOLUTION No. 21-37**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE DISBURSEMENT OF DORAL CARES GRANTS FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,420,000.00 FROM THE CITY OF DORAL'S EMERGENCY FUND DUE TO THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PURSUANT TO THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, the Miami Dade County Mayor issued a Declaration of State of Emergency concerning COVID-19 and subsequently issued various emergency orders to mitigate and slow the spread of COVID-19, which the City of Doral ( the "City") has enforced locally; and

**WHEREAS**, The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security ("CARES") Act was signed into law on March 27, 2020 and appropriated \$150 billion of direct federal funding for state and local governments to address unforeseen financial needs and risks created by the Novel Coronavirus ("COVID-19") public health emergency. The CARES Act appropriated nearly half a billion dollars (\$474,085,078) to Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, the City entered into a Federally funded Subaward and Grant Agreement ( the "Agreement") with Miami- Dade County, Florida ( the "County") for the reimbursement of eligible expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic under the CARES Act ( the "Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, the City has closely tracked expenses and applied for reimbursement of eligible costs incurred by the City associated with the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, with the support and assistance of our partners at the Beacon Council, the City of Doral developed the Doral CARES Business Assistance Grant

program for small businesses between 3 and 25 employees to apply for up to \$10,000 in grant funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the Doral CARES Emergency Rental Assistance program was established to provide up to \$2,500 of rent relief for those who could provide proof from their landlords that they were past due or offer evidence of significant COVID-related economic hardship; and

**WHEREAS**, to-date, the City of Doral has awarded 262 grants for a total of \$1,386,951.11 to businesses and residents who qualified for the program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Recitals.** The above recitals are confirmed, adopted and incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference.

**Section 2. Approval.** The City Council retroactively approves the disbursement of Doral Cares Grant Programs based on the criteria and requirements established by Miami Dade County and the City of Doral.

**Section 3. Authorization.** The City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to disburse funds for the Doral Cares Grant Programs not to exceed \$1,420,000.00.

**Section 4. Implementation.** The City Manager is hereby authorized to take such actions as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this resolution.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Cabrera who moved its adoption.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Puig-Corve and upon being put to a vote, the

vote was as follows:

Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez	Yes
Vice Mayor Pete Cabrera	Yes
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	Yes
Councilwoman Claudia Mariaca	Yes
Councilman Oscar Puig-Corve	Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10 day of February, 2021.


  
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JUAN CARLOS BERMUDEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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CONNIE DIAZ, MMC  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY  
FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF DORAL ONLY:

  
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LUIS FIGUEREDO, ESQ.  
CITY ATTORNEY